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PAINTING ROBOT WITH IMPROVED

WRIST CONDUIT

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

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Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

## Amendments to the Abstract:

## **Abstract**

The invention relates to a robot, specifically a painting robot, having at least one moveable member (4) which has a conduit for lines which houses at least one line (9, 10, 11). It is proposed that the line (9, 10, 11) is disposed in the conduit at least partially in a spiral or winding configuration and/or is carried by an axially compliant bellows (14, 15, 16) to allow axial movement of the line (9, 10, 11) with a change in the position of the robot.

(Figure 2a)